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CONFIRMING SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL, PORTUGUESE UN AMBASSADOR VEIGA
SIMAO IN CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR SAID GOP HOPED TO SIGN
AGREEMENT TODAY (SEPT 5) AND ANNOUNCE IT TOMORROW.
ELEMENTS OF AGREEMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

--TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT (NOT PROVISIONAL) WILL BE
FORMED TO RULE FROM SEPT 26, 1974 TO JUNE 25, 1975
WHEN FULL INDEPENDENCE TO BE GRANTED.

-- PORTUGAL WILL NAME HIGH COMMISSIONER; FRELIMO WILL
NAME PRIME MINISTER. MAJOR MELO ANTUNES IS
DEFINITELY OUT AS CANDIDATE FOR HIGH COMMISSIONER.
SPINOLA HAS THREE OTHER CANDIDATES, BUT FRELIMO WANTS
COUNCIL OF STATE MEMBER FROM ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT

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(AFM) LCDR VITOR CRESPO, WHO ASSOCIATED WITH ANTUNES

WING OF AFM.

- A JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION 50 PERCENT PORTUGUESE AND 50 PERCENT FRELIMO WILL BE CREATED, WITH THE PORTUGUESE REPORTING DIRECTLY TO HIGH COMMISSIONER AND FRELIMO REPORTING TO HIGH COMMISSIONER THROUGH PRIME MINISTER.
- TWO-THIRDS OF CABINET WILL BE FRELIMO AND THIS WILL BE PART OF AGREEMENT (CONTRARY TO WHAT GOP HAD ORIGINALLY HOPED).
- AGREEMENT WILL NOT REFER TO A "DEMOCRATICALLY" SELECTED GOVERNMENT AFTER INDEPENDENCE. GOP PUSHED FOR THIS, BUT IN A RECENT SECRET MEETING IN LONDON WITH MINISTER FOR INTER-TERRITORIAL COORDINATION ALMEIDA SANTOS, FRELIMO REPS REJECTED THE GOP POSITION. GOP WILL NOT INSIST ON THE POINT IN THE AGREEMENT, BUT MAY WELL FIND OCCASION PUBLICLY (SUCH AS AT UN) TO EXPRESS ITS "CONFIDENCE",

"HOPE" OR "UNDERSTANDING" THAT FRELIMO WILL ENSURE THAT PEOPLE OF MOZAMBIQUE WILL BE ABLE TO DECIDE OWN FUTURE THROUGH DEMOCRATIC MEANS.

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